

May 10, 1966

MINE INSPECTION REPORT
PAGUATE MINE
UNITED PUEBLO AGENCY
LAGUNA PUEBLO RESERVATION
VALENCIA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

LAGUNA PUEBLO ✓
LEASE

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On April 26, 1966, the Paguate mine was examined. The mine is located on the Laguna Pueblo Indian Reservation approximately 8.5 miles north of the old Laguna Pueblo on U. S. Highway 66. The Anaconda Company holds the Tribal lease and operates the mine. The last examination by engineers from this office was January 11, 1966.

On date of examination ore was being loaded into railroad cars from stockpiles in the Jackpile pit. Eighteen cars were to be loaded with Jackpile ore and 18 with ore from the Paguate Pit. No mining operations were in progress on date of examination. Mining was to be resumed the day after the examination.

Mining had continued by the same method as described in previous reports; bulldozers ripped the ore and pushed the ore into piles where a small shovel loaded the ore into trucks.

There was still about 500,000 tons of ore stockpiled at the Paguate mine. The mine production and tons sent to the Bluewater mill is about in balance.

The mine employed 42 hourly-paid men and 7 supervisors. No safety violations or violations of the lease terms were noted during the examination.

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